

## IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) The method of masking an area of a member to prevent the area from being galvanized during the galvanizing of the member, comprising the steps of:

applying a polyurethane adhesive to the area ~~prior to the galvanizing of the member.~~  
so that said polyurethane adhesive will prevent galvanizing material from adhering to the area, upon which the polyurethane adhesive has been applied, during subsequent galvanizing of the member.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the member is a tubular member.

3. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the member is a tubular member and wherein the area to be masked is a threaded opening in the tubular member.

4. (Original) The method of claim 3 wherein the tubular member is a pole.

5. (Original) The method of claim 3 wherein the tubular member is an irrigation pipe.

6. (Original) The method of claim 2 wherein the tubular member is a pole.

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 7\_9 wherein the said polyurethane adhesive also contains magnesium.

9. (New) The method of masking an area of a member to prevent the area from being galvanized during the galvanizing of the member, comprising the steps of:  
applying a polyurethane adhesive to the area so that said polyurethane adhesive will prevent galvanizing material from adhering to the area, upon which the

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polyurethane adhesive has been applied, during subsequent galvanizing of the member;

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said polyurethane adhesive being comprised of hydrotreated light petroleum distillate, methylene bisphenyl diisocyanate, talc, silicon dioxide, and polyethylene polyphenyl isocyanate.

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